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Re:

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For: Methods and Compositions for Cloning Nucleic Acid Molecules

Inventors: FOX et al.

Our Ref: 0

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
- 2. PTO Fee Transmittal (Form/SB/17);
- 3. Form PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form to cover: \$430.00 two (2) month Extension of Time; and
- 4. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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It is hereby requested that the period for replying to the outstanding Office Action be extended two months from August 10, 2004 to October 12, 2004, (October 10, 2004 being a Sunday and October 11, 2004 being Columbus Day) by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$430.00 for a two-month extension for a large entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying form PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. Complete if Known FEE TRANSMITTAL 09/697,079 **Application Number** Filing Date October 27, 2000 for FY 2005 First Named Inventor Donna K. FOX Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision. **Examiner Name** Diana B. Johannsen Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 Art Unit 1634 **TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$) 430.00 0942.4460002/BJD/LAV Attorney Docket No METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply) FEE CALCULATION (continued) Check X Credit card Money Order Order Order Any overpayments in Check X Credit card 3. ADDITIONAL FEES Large Entity , Small Entity Deposit Account: the fees to Deposit Acct. No. 19-0036. ee Fee Description Deposit Code (\$) Code Fee Paid 19-0036 1051 130 2051 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath Number Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox Deposit Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or 1052 50 2052 25 Account cover sheet 1053 130 1053 Non-English specification The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply) 1812 2,520 1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination Charge fee(s) indicated below Credit any overpayments Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action 1804 920 1804 9201 Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s) Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action 1805 1.840 1805 1.8401 to the above-identified deposit account. 1251 110 2251 55 Extension for reply within first month **FEE CALCULATION** 430.00 215 Extension for reply within second month 1252 430 2252 1. BASIC FILING FEE 1253 980 2253 490 Extension for reply within third month arge Entity Small Entity Fee Fee Fee Code (\$) Fee **Fee Description** Fee Paid 1254 1.530 2254 765 Extension for reply within fourth month Code (\$) Extension for reply within fifth month 1255 2,080 2255 1,040 1001 790 2001 395 Utility filing fee 1002 350 2002 175 1401 340 2401 170 Notice of Appeal Design filing fee 1003 550 2003 275 1402 340 2402 Filing a brief in support of an appeal Plant filing fee 170 1004 790 2004 395 Reissue filing fee 1403 300 2403 150 Request for oral hearing 1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee 1451 1,510 1451 1.510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding 1452 110 2452 Petition to revive - unavoidable SUBTOTAL (1) 1453 1 370 2453 685 Petition to revive - unintentional 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE 1501 1,370 2501 Utility issue fee (or reissue) ee from Extra Claims Fee Paid 1502 below 490 2502 Design issue fee **Total Claims** Х 20 1503 2503 660 330 Plant issue fee Independent Х 3 1460 130 1460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner Multiple Dependent 1807 50 1807 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) Large Entity Small Entity 1806 180 1806 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt Fee Fee Fee Description Recording each patent assignment per Code (\$) Code (\$) 8021 40 8021 40 property (times number of properties) 1202 18 2202 Claims in excess of 20 9 1809 790 2809 Filing a submission after final rejection 395 1201 88 Independent claims in excess of 3 2201 44 (37 CFR 1.129(a)) 1203 300 2203 150 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid 790 395 For each additional invention to be 1810 2810 examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) 1204 86 \*\* Reissue independent claims 2204 43 over original patent 1801 790 2801 Request for Continued Examination (RCE) 395 \*\* Reissue claims in excess of 20 1205 18 2205 9 1802 900 1802 Request for expedited examination and over original patent of a design application Other fee (specify) SUBTOTAL (2) \*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid SUBTOTAL (3) \*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above 430.00 (Complete (if applicable)) SUBMITTED BY Registration No. Name (Print/Type) Telephone Brian J. Del Buono 42,473 (202) 371-2600

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